

Symphony

SECRET CONTROL

8 May 1947

TO: Commanding Officer - Austria

FOR: Security Control Division - C

FROM: C

SUBJECT: Arthur PIER.

1. We have just learned from sources other than Austria that Arthur PIER has applied for a visa to the United States. Is this true?

2. While I am on the subject, without assembling the reference documents, I remember reading in certain office logs that [] discussed with PIER sometime in February, I think, the Washington evaluation of his case. I presume you were retroactively made aware of this since since it certainly falls within the scope of your interests. The ill was already done, but I am sure you realize as I do, that such an obvious breach of discretion on the part of any intelligence officer - such as discussing with the released agent the reasons why his case was discontinued - is beyond comment at this time. Even if the judgement of the officer had been so incredibly poor in this matter, the mechanical "Secret Control" classification of the documents would have perhaps made this a breach.

not sent

See FHW if sent?

DECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
SOURCES/METHODS EXEMPTION 3B26
NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT
DATE 2008

SECRET CONTROL